SUBJECT No. 78.

Modifying the Investigation Centre Scheme.

Messrs. (*a*) Ramanna and Venkatasubbiah, Krishnarajpete taluk, (*b*) A. Narasimhiah, Malvalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The introduction of the Investigation Centre Scheme has tended to delay the disposal of cases and to make the Duffedar indifferent to his work. It is prayed that the Scheme be modified so as to make it possible to invest competent Duffedars with some special powers in the matter of investigation. Steps may be taken to remedy the defects that have resulted by the introduction and working of the Criminal Investigation Centre Scheme.

(*b*) It is further prayed that the allowance of Police Jamadars be raised to Rs. 10 as in the case of allowances of Shekdars and Sanitary Inspectors.

Reply of Government.—The Scheme has not yet fully come into force owing to want of trained Jamadars. No complaints of delay have been received. The Scheme is yet under trial and, if any changes are deemed necessary, they will be adopted.

SUBJECT No. 79.

Renewal of gun-licenses.

Mr. Yagayyanna Krishnappa, Sagar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The power of renewing gun-licenses has been reserved to the District Magistrates issuing them. Several licenses sent up by post for renewal are either mislaid or mis-delivered and lost. For every license-holder to go to the District Headquarter and get his license renewed means considerable inconvenience. If is therefore prayed that Amildar-Magistrates may be empowered to renew gun-licenses issued by the District Magistrates.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 80.

Levy of gun-license fees once in five years.

Messrs. Mahomed Imam Sab, Mir Mahomed Sab and Subba Rao, Tarikere taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Gun-licenses have to be got renewed at the end of every December. When they are sent for renewal, some time elapses before they are received back, during which interval, parties cannot use the arms. Pray that the fee be levied with the Land Revenue demand or once in five years.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 81.

Prevention of cattle-lifting.

Mr. Nadig Bheema Rao, Channagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Final orders on this subject have not yet been passed although the subject has been under the consideration of Government for a long time. It is suggested that traders in hides should be required to maintain a register in which should be entered full information regarding the hides received by them for export, and that the export of hides should be permitted only on permits granted by the local Shekdar or other officer deputed for the purpose after an examination of the registers, and that the Railway authorities should be required not to receive for transport hides which are not accompanied by such permits.

Reply of Government.—The member may please hand in a draft of a Regulation on the subject.